EPIDENDRUM PANSAMALAE *Schlechter*

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Epidendrum pansamalae *Schlechter* in Fedde Repert. 10 (1912) 485.

While the type (*Türckheim 1062*) is a native of Guatemala (Pansamala), a Costa Rican specimen recently received is surely conspecific. This specimen would seem to differ from the typical form in several characters. The largest leaves reach a maximum length of 8 cm. and a maximum width of 1.1 cm., whereas the leaves of the type are described as 5–6.5 cm. long and 6.5–8 mm. wide. The lateral sepals have a conspicuous broad median keel toward the apex, a character which is not attributed to the type. The petals are broader than described or as shown in a drawing (in the Ames Herbarium) made under the supervision of Dr. Rudolf Schlechter and are oblong-oblanceolate in outline rather than linear. The apical lobe of the lip is about 9 mm. instead of 6.75 mm. wide. The apices of the basal callus appear to be abruptly truncate and denticulate. The column is slightly shorter than typical.

COSTA RICA: La Fuente. At 1200 meters altitude. "flowers aster purple". November 2, 1925. *A. Alfaro 217* (U. S. Nat. Herb. No. 1315816).